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For: GRAVURE PROCESS FOR PRINTING ADJACENT COLOUR
SURFACES WITH VARIOUS COLOUR COATING THICKNESSES

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.51(b), 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, this Information Disclosure Statement is submitted in the above-identified patent application. A listing of documents to be published on the face of any patent granted from this application is submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449. Any other documents or information submitted for consideration by the Examiner are listed in this paper. A copy of each U.S. and foreign patent, or each publication or portion thereof listed or herein identified is submitted herewith.

**ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION NOT LISTED ON
ACCOMPANYING FORM PTO-1449 SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION**

Search Report dated May 3, 1999 of German Patent Office concerning related German Patent Application.

**CONCISE STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY
(NON-ENGLISH LANGUAGE DOCUMENTS ONLY)**

German Patent Publication No. 2130914 is considered to be of background interest in the German Search Report and relates to Intaglio printing.

German Patent No. 2603558 relates to a method for producing a graphic pattern. The U.S. equivalent to this patent is seen in U.S. Patent No. 4,124,947 which is also listed on the accompanying PTO-1449 form.

Serial Number:

British Patent No. 1390302 is in the English language and the relevancy thereof is self-evident.

STATEMENT OF CUMULATIVE INFORMATION

U.S. Patent No. 4,124,947 is equivalent to German Patent No. 2603558.

STATEMENT REGARDING TRANSLATIONS

An English translation of the non-English language documents submitted herewith are not available to applicant's attorney.

STATEMENT OF TIMELINESS

This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted prior to the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits received by Applicant in the above-identified application.

The Examiner is requested to acknowledge consideration of the information provided in this paper in accordance with prescribed procedures.

Respectfully submitted,
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